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Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD

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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131

I hereby declare:

- 1. My name is Charles Normann.
- 2. I created the software to actually reduce to practice the invention claimed in the above-identified patent application. The software performed implemented each of the steps of claim 1 in the above-identified patent application. I tested the software, and confirmed that it operated in its intended manner. All of the foregoing was performed at the request of the inventors of the above-identified patent application during October- November 1999.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this Declaration is directed.

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